

# Manitowoc County Criminal Justice Coordinating Council

## Minutes

September 1, 2021

Manitowoc Office Complex, Rm 300

Attendance: Council members Present: County Board Supervisor James Falkowski, Patricia Dodge, Sheriff Dan Hartwig, District Attorney Jacalyn LaBre (Vice-Chair), Chief Brian Kohlmeier, Attorney Ann Larson, Judge Mark Rohrer (Chair), County Executive Bob Ziegelbauer and Clerk of Court Lynn Zigmunt.

Excused/Absent: Phil Hoff, Kevin Mueller, Cindy Oswald.

Note: Chief Time Barber, Cleveland has retired. A new representative for the small municipality agencies will need to be named.

Others: Patricia Koppa, Joy Brixius, Nancy Slattery,

Sheriff Dan Hartwig moved to approve the minutes of the May 5, 2021 Council meeting. Chief Brian Kohlmeier seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously after voice vote.

Chair Judge Rohrer recognized Nancy Slattery who commended Major Joy Brixius and the staff of the jail on behalf of the League of Women Voters for assisting those in custody who retained the right to vote to exercise that right during recent elections. Involved many phone calls among the clerks and election officials.

In the absence of Jason Latva, Attorney Ann Larson gave a drug court update. Most significant news is the resignation, effective October 1 of Mr. Latva. He will be leaving to join the State Treatment Court office. Attorney Larson and Judge Rohrer both spoke highly of Mr. Latva noting how instrumental he was in the creation and success of the drug court program. Graduation ceremonies for those who completed programming since onset of the pandemic have been taking place. Four more to go. Have now been 28 program graduations. There is one new candidate and one returning candidate to be admitted to program. The team continues to grow and work to support the participants.

Major Brixius then discussed costs incurred by inmates in making calls out of the jail. A recent newspaper article had led to a question. She wanted to share that much of the article was inaccurate and did not apply to Manitowoc County. While some council members were concerned as they could take no action on the subject, they learned a great deal and were pleased to discover the efforts of Major Brixius to keep the charges down for the inmates. Any proceeds received from the calls are expended for their benefit and are not part of the Sheriff's budget.

Chair Judge Rohrer noted the next meeting date for November 3, 2021 and a return to the C&T building downtown to make attendance easier. The Executive Committee will meet on September 20, but continue to meet by videoconference.

Motion to adjourn made by Attorney LaBre and seconded by Attorney Larson. Passed unanimously adjourning at 5:33 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Patricia A. Koppa". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped initial "P".

Patricia A. Koppa  
Council Secretary